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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF UTAH

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ROBERT BUCKLEY HARDY,

Defendant.

Case No. 2:25cr 040 JNP
ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR
PROTECTIVE ORDER

Magistrate Judge Cecilia M. Romero

Based upon the United States' Motion for Protective Order, and stipulation of the parties, the Court hereby finds that a protective order is necessary and appropriate in this case to prevent harmful disclosure of the personal identifying information of various individuals, while still preserving the defendant's right to a fair trial and meaningful discovery. Pursuant to the Court's authority under Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 16(d) (1), it is HEREBY ORDERED:

1. That the United States provide the defendant unredacted copies of the discovery in this matter including documents that contain the personal identifying information of third parties.

2. The unredacted documents produced to the defendant pursuant to this order shall not be disclosed or made available for inspection or copying to any person, other than as permitted in Paragraph 3.

3. Unredacted documents provided to the defendant pursuant to this order may be further disclosed to the following people: (a) counsel for the defendants; (b) associates, secretaries, paralegals, private investigators, forensic accountants and other employees or independent contractors of such attorney to the extent necessary to render professional services in this criminal prosecution; and (c) court officials involved in this case.

4. The defendant and counsel stipulate to the protective order. Copies of the unredacted discovery, photographs of the discovery shall not be provided to the defendant, nor will the defendant be allowed to make handwritten copies of the unredacted discovery. Redacted copies of the discovery can be provided by counsel to the defendant.

5. Persons obtaining access to the documents produced pursuant to this order shall use the information only for the preparation and conduct of this criminal trial, and any connected hearings or appeals. No information disclosed pursuant to this order shall be used for any other purpose or any other proceeding.

6. Counsel for the defendant is responsible for employing reasonable measures to control duplication of, and access to, the unredacted discovery documents.

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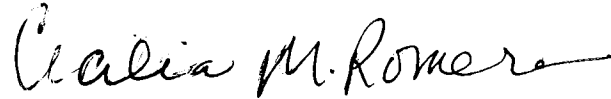
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7. The provisions of this order governing disclosure and use of the documents shall not terminate at the conclusion of this criminal prosecution.

Dated this 26th day of February 2024.

BY THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Cecilia M. Romero". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line extending from the end.

CECILIA M. ROMERO
United States District Court
Magistrate Judge